

1 THE HONORABLE JOHN C. COUGHENOUR

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6 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
7 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
8 AT SEATTLE

9 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
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11 Plaintiff,  
12 v.  
13 RAYMOND NG and QIFENG CHEN,  
14 Defendants.

CASE NO. CR20-0172-JCC  
ORDER

15 This matter comes before the Court on the Government's unopposed motion for entry of  
16 a protective order restraining certain forfeitable property (Dkt. No. 64). The Government seeks  
17 an order restraining the following property:

- 18 a. \$529,312 in U.S. currency seized from Defendant Raymond Ng's residence, 6622 S.  
19 124<sup>th</sup> Street, Seattle, Washington, on October 21, 2020;  
20 b. Assorted jewelry and silver dollars seized from Defendant Raymond Ng's residence,  
21 6622 S. 124<sup>th</sup> Street, Seattle, Washington, on October 21, 2020;  
22 c. A 2014 Tesla S 60, VIN No. 5YJSA1S14EFP48907, registered to Defendant Raymond  
23 Ng and seized from his residence, 6622 S. 124<sup>th</sup> Street, Seattle, Washington, on October  
24 21, 2020;  
25 d. \$5,143 in U.S. currency seized from Defendant Qifang Chen's residence, 7603 S. 115<sup>th</sup>  
26 Street, Seattle, Washington on October 21, 2020; and,

1 e. A 2018 Maserati Levante, VIN No. ZN661XUAXJX275952, registered to Defendant  
2 Qifang Chen and seized from her residence, 7603 S. 115<sup>th</sup> Street, Seattle, Washington, on  
3 October 21, 2020.

4 Having reviewed the papers and pleading pleadings filed in this matter, including the  
5 Government's motion and the supporting declaration of United States Postal Inspector Katelyn  
6 Mitchell, the Court hereby FINDS that entry of a protective order restraining the above-identified  
7 property (hereafter "the Property") is appropriate because:

- 8 • The Government gave notice of its intent to pursue forfeiture in the Indictment returned  
9 on October 14, 2020 (Dkt. No. 1), and specifically identified the Property in its  
10 supplemental Forfeiture Bill of Particulars (Dkt. No. 63);
- 11 • Based on the facts set forth in Postal Inspector Mitchell's declaration, there is probable  
12 cause to believe the Property may, upon the Defendants' conviction, be forfeited in this  
13 case; and,
- 14 • To ensure the Property remains available for forfeiture, its continued restraint pursuant to  
15 21 U.S.C. § 853(e)(1) is appropriate.

16 Accordingly, the Court GRANTS the Government's motion (Dkt. No. 64) and hereby  
17 ORDERS that the Property remain in the custody of the United States, and/or its authorized  
18 agents or representatives, pending the conclusion of this criminal case, to include any ancillary  
19 forfeiture proceedings, and/or further order of the Court.

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21 DATED this 14th day of May 2021.

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25 John C. Coughenour  
26 UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE